

The renovated Huey P. Long Field House will serve more than 1,200 undergraduate and 500 graduate students, plus the faculty and staff in the schools of Kinesiology, Library & Information Science and Social Work. The addition of a distance-learning facility will greatly extend the building's impact to reach students worldwide.

An LSU Icon

The Huey P. Long Field House represents tradition, energy, legacy and student life—the very spirit and essence of LSU.

The building opened in 1932 and was once the centerpiece of student life, boasting the first LSU Student Union; a post office, soda fountain and ballroom; racquetball courts; and the largest university swimming pool in the country at the time. Alumni worldwide cherish memories of their experiences there and often ask to tour the building when they visit LSU.

Located in a very visible part of the original campus and listed on the National Historic Register, the Huey P. Long Field House has tremendous possibilities. Currently, only a fraction of the building is in usable condition. Philanthropic support will enable the Huey P. Long Field House to once again be a center of excellence, excitement, engagement and campus life by meeting the needs of three growing schools in the College of Human Sciences & Education: Kinesiology, Library & Information Science and Social Work.

Renovation plans preserve the original facade and, whenever possible, restore the original interior marble, terrazzo and entry spaces.

A Collaborative New Place

The College of Human Sciences & Education, the third largest college at LSU, has a direct impact on the complex human issues and policy decisions faced by communities throughout Louisiana, the nation and the world. Each of its six schools builds upon the rich legacy of LSU's land grant mission, preparing professionals to be leaders in their fields by advancing human cognitive, social, emotional, communicative and physical development across the lifespan.

The faculty and staff accomplish this mission through research; preschool, K-12, undergraduate and graduate degree programs; professional service; and community and international engagement in the schools of Education (including the LSU Preschool), Human Resource Education & Workforce Development, Kinesiology, Library & Information Science, and Social Work, as well as the University Laboratory School.

Project Goals

Renovation of Huey P. Long Field House will create a magnificent learning space to offer exceptional educational experiences for our students in a fully equipped and supported physical facility; a teaching and research environment that allows faculty to compete with the best in the world; and a functional and aesthetically pleasing building for visitors, public receptions, meetings and other university and community events.





World-Class Learning Environment

The Huey P. Long Field House renovation plan includes updated space to meet the needs of the kinesiology, exercise physiology, sport administration, social work, child and family studies, and library and information science programs. Renovation plans provide for desperately needed laboratory space, computer labs and interview facilities.

Once the project is complete, the university will gain 14 classrooms (with 1,000 classroom seats). Additionally, moving Human Sciences & Education offices and classes into the building will free up space in Peabody Hall and Coates Hall for other campus use.

The renovation also addresses long-standing needs for student and faculty locker rooms, a women's gym, a wellness center, training rooms and centrally located distance-learning facilities. A "living legacy" college lawn and water feature will restore the original pool facades and surfaces and transform the area into a spectacular, centrally located courtyard. True to its original purpose, this area will once again be a hub of campus life, with communal space for student, alumni and faculty gatherings.

- With more than 2,600 students, the College of Human Sciences & Education is the third largest college at LSU.
- In early 2014, U.S. News & World Report named the college among the top 100 "Best Education Schools" in the country.
- The growing athletic training program achieved a 100 percent first-time pass rate on the Board of Certification exam for three consecutive years, beating the national average by almost 25 percent.





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